

[Translation]

### **Regularisation of Services of CPWD Employees**

5591. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to regularise the services of employees of CPWD working on temporary posts for the last several years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Government has taken a proposal for creation of some additional posts in the work charged establishment of CPWD for regularising the services of muster roll employees of CPWD. As soon as the posts are created, the services of these workers will be regularised.

### **Increase in Production of Coal**

5592. SHRI B. L. SHARMA PREM: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether in spite of the fifteen percent increase in the production of coal, many power units of the country have been closed on account of non-supply of coal to them in time;

(b) if so, the reasons for not supplying coal to these power units; and

(c) the persons responsible for it and the

action taken against them?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (c). Coal production in the country during April '91 to January '92 was 10.7% more than the corresponding last year. High priority is given for supply of coal to thermal power stations. Despatches of coal to power utilities have shown marked improvement during 1991-92. During the period April '91 to January '92, 112.13 million tonnes (including middlings) of coal were supplied to power utilities by Coal India Ltd. and Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. as against 97.87 million tonnes (including middlings) supplied during the corresponding period last year, showing a growth of 14.6%. Central Electricity Authority have reported that a few power stations had to shut down some of their units temporarily for want of adequate supply of coal. However, coal supply to power utilities is monitored regularly, and whenever necessary, appropriate action is taken immediately to meet the committed supply from alternative sources. Thus the supply of coal to thermal power stations during 1991-92 has been generally satisfactory. As such question of fixing of responsibility and taking action for inadequate supply does not arise.

[English]

### **Centrally Sponsored Industries in Western Maharashtra**

5593. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYA SADUL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Centrally sponsored industries in the Western Maharashtra including those in district Solapur; and

(b) the progress made by these indus-

tries during 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92 upto December, 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). There is no such category as 'centrally sponsored industries'.

#### **Lossees in IDPL**

5594. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Limited is incurring heavy losses for the last two years;

(b) whether the undertaking and no funds for the payment of salary to their officers/staff working in the organisation;

(c) whether some profit making Public Sector Undertakings paid a huge amount to IDPL for payment of salary to its staff;

(d) the terms of refunding the huge amount to those PSUs; and

(e) the steps taken to save Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Limited from the losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir. Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Limited has been incurring losses for past several years. The net loss incurred by the company was Rs. 42.74 crores in 1989-90 and Rs. 88.26 crores in 1990-91.

(b) No, Sir. The salaries of employees are paid despite working capital and other financial constraints.

(c) to (e). An inter corporate loan of Rs. 5 crores was given by Indian Petrochemicals

Corporation Limited to Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Limited recently. The loan given in two equal instalments is re-payable on expiry of two years. The loan bears interest as well as a provision for penal interest. The package for improvement in the performance of IDPL would involve stepping up of capacity utilisation, emphasis on higher sales, exports, increase in efficiencies by savings on services and utilities, cost reduction, improvement in the system of collection of outstanding dues and voluntary retirement schemes etc. It would also involve heavy investments, write-off of Government loans and funds for working capital.

#### **HMT Unit in Mandya, Karnataka**

5595. SHRI G. MADE GOWDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to set up any H. M. T. Unit at Mandya, Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) HMT has planned for growth through technological upgradation and productivity in the existing units and does not plan set up any new unit for the present.

#### **Increase in the Price of Coal**

5596. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bureau of Industrial